

Superfund











The official regulatory authority is CERCLA – the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act. The goal of CERCLA is to reduce risks to acceptable levels to protect human health and the environment.



US Environmental Protection Agency

Oregon is part of Region 10 of the EPA. EPA will select the cleanup plan and oversee the cleanup. EPA is supported by a group of agency and Tribal partners who are stakeholders at the site.

AGENCY & TRIBAL PARTNERS

-  Oregon Department of Environmental Quality
-  National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (acting on behalf of the US Dept. of Commerce)
-  US Fish & Wildlife Service (acting on behalf of the US Dept. of the Interior)
-  Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife (acting on behalf of the State of Oregon)
-  Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon
-  Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
-  Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
-  Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon
-  Nez Perce Tribe
-  Yakama Nation

Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs)

PRPs either own land that is contaminated or had some role in causing the contamination.

PARTICIPATION & COMMON INTEREST GROUP

Public & private entities who are working towards an allocation of liability for contamination at the site.

LOWER WILLAMETTE GROUP

A subset of public & private entities who signed an agreement with EPA to conduct the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study for the site. EPA will use the information contained in these technical documents to select a cleanup plan.

PORTLAND HARBOR PARTNERSHIP

A subset of parties who formed a group with the goals of increasing public awareness of the site and encouraging public participation.



Community Advisory Group

Interested members of the public & community stakeholders who track developments at the Superfund Site and monitor progress on behalf of the community.

Natural Resource Damages









Also a part of CERCLA, the goal is to address past injuries to natural resources caused by contamination.

Natural Resource Trustees

Trustees are managers of the resources that have been injured.



PORTLAND HARBOR TRUSTEE COUNCIL

-  National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration (acting on behalf of the US Dept. of Commerce)
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YAKAMA NATION

The Yakama Nation withdrew from the Trustee Council in June 2009, but remains a Trustee for the site.

Potentially Responsible Parties

NRD ALLOCATION GROUP

Public & private entities who are working towards an allocation of liability associated with damages to natural resources at the site.

PHASE II FUNDING PARTIES

A subset of parties who have agreed to fund the Trustee Council and work with them to determine how damages to natural resources will be calculated during Phase II of the NRD Assessment. The goal of Phase II is to reach settlement that includes natural resource restoration projects. Phase III will be focused on litigation against parties who do not settle.